

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the title of the patent application with --METHOD AND APPARATUS OF MINIMIZING INCURRED CHARGES BY THE REMOTE ORIGINATION OF TELEPHONE CALLS--.

A1 Please replace the abstract of the patent application with --A method and apparatus for placing a long distance call using a mobile telephone with a data messaging device communicating via a separate data network (rather than the call signaling network) to a Remote Telephone Call Origination (RTCO) platform. The mobile telephone analyzes each number dialed to determine whether to utilize the RTCO platform or to dial normally. If RTCO is utilized, the mobile telephone transmits a data message with instructions for setting up the call. The RTCO platform then makes a call to the mobile phone and bridges this to a second call made to the dialed party.--

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In accordance with 37 CFR §1.121, please amend the following Claims:

--1. (Amended) A method of placing a long distance call using a mobile telephone of the type having a data messaging device for communicating with a data network and using an RTCO platform to avoid charges in one locale and to incur charges in a second locale, the method comprising the steps of:

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Insb 7 capturing a telephone number dialed by a user of the mobile telephone, transmitting a data message from the mobile telephone to the data network using the data messaging device of the mobile telephone, the data message including the dialed telephone number and identifying the mobile telephone;

relaying the data message from the data network to the RTCO platform;

placing a first call from the RTCO platform to the mobile telephone; and

placing a second call from the RTCO platform to the number dialed in a manner to connect the first and second calls to each other.--